

**Lafayette City-Parish  
Consolidated Government**

**Five-Year  
Consolidated Plan  
Amendments – June 2009**

**Lafayette, Louisiana  
Program Years 2008-2012**

## **Amendments to the LCG 2008/2012 Consolidated Plan (June 2009)**

Page 1 - Objectives and Outcomes, Community Development: Priority 4 – Address the Availability/Accessibility of Suitable Living Environment (Street Reconstruction);

Page 11 – Citizen’s Comments to Amendments (June 4, 2009)

Pages 56/57 – Community Development (91.215 (e)); Priority 4 – Address the Availability/Accessibility of Suitable Living Environment;

CPMP Version 1.3 – Community Development Worksheet (addition of CDBG-R Street Improvements)

CPMP Version 2.0 – Summary of Specific Annual Objectives – SL-1 Availability/ Accessibility of Suitable Living Environment



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2008 ▼

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Annual Action Plan and

Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report

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New Orleans ▼

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8/8/2008

**Amendments:**

Substantial ▼

6/4/2009

Name:

CDBG-R Infrastructure

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\* If Necessary



# 3-5 Year Strategic Plan

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## **Executive Summary**

The Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government (LCG) 2008/2012 Consolidated Plan is a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) mandated document that describes the housing and community development needs of the LCG's low- and moderate-income residents and identifies the activities required to address those needs over a five-year period. The preparation of the Consolidated Plan, and subsequent Annual Plans, is a prerequisite for receiving Federal entitlement funds, namely from HUD's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, and HOME Investment Partnerships program (including American Dream Down-payment Initiative - ADDI).

## **Objectives and Outcomes**

The LCG anticipates funding activities that will address the following objectives over the upcoming five-year period:

### **Housing**

**Priority 1** - Address the Availability and Accessibility of Decent Housing for Low-, and Moderate-Income Owner Households

**Priority 2** - Address the Availability and Accessibility of Decent Housing for extremely Low-, Low, and Moderate-Income Renter Households

**Priority 3** - Address the Affordability of Decent Housing for Low/Moderate-Income Homeowners

### **Homeless**

**PRIORITY 1** - Address the Availability/Accessibility of Decent Housing for Homeless Families and Individuals (transitional and permanent housing)

### **Community Development (Amended June 4, 2009 to include Priority 4)**

**Priority 1** - Affordability of Decent Housing (Housing Related Public Services)

**Priority 2** - Address the Sustainability of Suitable Living Environment (Demolition Grants)

**Priority 3** - Address the Sustainability of Economic Opportunities (Direct Financial Assistance)

**Priority 4** - Address the Availability/Accessibility of Suitable Living Environment (Street Reconstruction)

### **Specific Special Needs Objectives**

**Priority 1** - Address the Availability and Accessibility of Decent Housing for Persons with "Special Needs" (Facilities Only - Services will not be funded.)

Over the past five years, the LCG, DCD was forced to reduce the number of priority needs it addressed due to annual CDBG and HOME funding reductions. Consequently, the LCG did not reach all of the housing and community development goals it established in its 2003/2007 Consolidated Plan.

- 4) Conducting a public opinion poll within low/moderate-income, primarily minority regions of the LCG. In doing so, potential LCG entitlement beneficiaries that would normally not speak at public hearings, were given the opportunity to voice their opinion.

**Citizens Comments and DCD responses.**

By the end of the 30-day public review and comment period (April 11, 2008 through May 12, 2008) no comments were submitted to the LCG, DCD.

**Citizens Comments to Consolidated Plan Amendments** (Amended June 4, 2009)

No comments were submitted by the end of the review and comment period (May 27, 2009 through June 2, 2009 – shortened from 30 to 7 days in compliance with HUD guidance regarding the Community Development Block Grant – Recovery Program).

**Institutional Structure (91.215 (i))**

As the lead agency for preparing and administering the Consolidated Plan, the LCG, DCD will remain in communication with many of the public and private agencies involved in the provision of housing and community development services. In addition, the DCD will manage the CDBG, HOME, ADDI and State of Louisiana ESG programs and encourage local non-profits to apply for funds for activities that will address priority needs as identified in the LCG, 2008/2012 Consolidated Plan. Strengths in the LCG Consolidated Plan delivery system are that most local non-profits applying for entitlement funds are familiar with the process and put forth the efforts needed to develop and implement the Plan. The DCD works with any agency not familiar with the application process to assure all program requirements are followed correctly.

The only apparent weakness in the LCG's Consolidated Plan delivery system is that the LCG is not able to guarantee that a non-profit agency will submit a proposal for an activity that will address any one particular priority need during the five-year period covered by the Consolidated Plan (e.g., during the LCG 98/03 Consolidated Plan, "handicap transportation" was listed as a high priority yet not one local agency submitted a proposal for funds to implement such an activity).

The LCG, DCD attempts to work with the Lafayette Housing Authority to address the needs of low/moderate-income households. The former City of Lafayette Board of Trustees and Lafayette Mayor J. Maxime Roy created the Housing Authority of the City of Lafayette by resolution, under the laws of the State of Louisiana and the United States Federal Government, on July 16, 1940. Now, the city-parish president of Lafayette is responsible for appointing the five member Commission of the Housing Authority of the City of Lafayette. The Housing Authority has the right to employ additional personnel as it is deems necessary to exercise its power, duties, and functions as prescribed by the Housing Authorities Law of Louisiana and all other applicable laws of the State of Louisiana.

On an annual basis, the LCG, DCD requests information from the Housing Authority regarding proposed capital improvements, development conditions, demolition or disposition of public housing development. This information is used in the development of the LCG Consolidated Plans and Annual Plans. The Lafayette Housing Authority stated that it will implement new policies and programs for the purpose of improving the living environment of the public housing developments and to heighten the involvement of public housing residents in the operation and management of public housing. The DCD will work with the Lafayette Housing Authority to assure that future programs and activities address the housing and community development needs identified by both the PHA's needs assessment and this Consolidated Plan.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### **Community Development (91.215 (e))** (Amended June 4, 2009 to include Priority 4)

Public Services, demolition, and direct financial assistance to minority owned- and small businesses are the three community development activities that the LCG, DCD will considered a priority during the five-years covered by this Consolidated Plan. First, public services will be provided in the form of housing counseling. These services will assist rental, owner, and all low/moderate-income households in addressing housing related problems. The housing counseling will also assist low and moderate-income households in becoming first-time homebuyers by providing counseling on mortgaging, credit, home maintenance and other housing related issues.

Secondly, the LCG, Property Maintenance staff makes 6000+ inspections annually, many of which are related to vacant and abandoned properties. Some homes, if not properly secured or maintained, will be used by vagrants and drug dealers, or the property will deteriorate and become unsafe. To address this issue, demolition grants will be provided to owners of dilapidated properties within low/moderate-income regions of the LCG.

Lastly, the LCG will continue to provide economic opportunities and low/moderate-income jobs by allowing the Lafayette Neighborhoods Economic Development Corporation (LNEDC) to make business loans to small and minority-owned companies that have been turned down by conventional lenders. LNEDC will continue to utilize a revolving loan fund consisting of prior year's CDBG funds. The LCG, DCD does not foresee recommending additional funding to LNEDC during the period covered by this Consolidated Plan.

#### **Priority 1 Affordability of Decent Housing**

##### **Specific Objective:**

DH-2 (3): Address the affordability of decent housing for low/moderate-income households by providing housing counseling services to approximately 7000 households over the upcoming five-year period (1,400 households per year). (Public Service - LCG, DCD Human Services Division; Neighborhood Counseling Services.)

##### **Funding Sources:**

Federal Entitlement: CDBG  
Federal (non-entitlement): HUD Housing Counseling program

#### **Priority 2 – Address the Sustainability of Suitable Living Environment**

##### **Specific Objective:**

SL-3 (1): Address the sustainability of suitable living environments by providing demolition grants to owners of 60 dilapidated properties, located within low/moderate-income neighborhoods, over the upcoming five-year period. (LCG, DCD Demolition Grant Program)

Funding Sources:

Federal Entitlement: CDBG

**Priority 3 - Address the Sustainability of Economic Opportunities**

**Specific Objective:**

EO-3 (1): To sustain economic opportunities and create/retain low/moderate-income jobs by providing direct financial assistance to 35 minority-owned and small businesses over the upcoming five-year period (7 jobs created/retained per year).

Funding Resources:

Federal Entitlement: Prior Year's CDBG

The primary obstacle to meeting underserved community development needs is funding. The LCG is aware that many needs exist within its communities. However, the LCG does not have adequate funding for addressing all needs. Consequently, the LCG is focusing on addressing its most pressing and documented need – affordable housing for low/moderate-income households.

**Priority 4 – Address the Availability/Accessibility of Suitable Living Environment**  
(Added June, 2009)

SL-1 (1): To improve availability/accessibility of suitable living environment through the funding of approximately 10,000' of street reconstruction activities with Community Development Block Group – Recovery funds. To meet the intention of the CDBG-R program, this activity estimates creating/preserving 20 jobs over the upcoming five-year period.

Funding Resources:

\*Federal Recovery Funds: CDBG-R

**Antipoverty Strategy (91.215 (h))**

Several local agencies provide services that address the financial needs of low-income residents. These services include rental assistance, utilities assistance, food assistance, jobs training and related services. The DCD is in contact with the majority of these agencies on an ongoing basis and provides the general public with referrals to them through its Human Services Division. One of the divisions under the DCD is the Lafayette Workforce Development Center. The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) is "customer-focused" to help clients access tools they need to manage their careers through information and high quality services, and to help U.S. companies find skilled workers. The Workforce Development Center offers numerous programs and services to individuals needing to prepare for entry or re-entry in today's work force, including: career information, job search, basic skills development, labor market information, and employment and training programs. The DCD will continue to communicate with local housing and service providers (as it does within the Consolidated Plan development process) and remain abreast of existing needs. Unfortunately, due to reduced federal funding, fewer low/moderate-income needs can be addressed.

## **Appendix A: Housing Needs Table**

**Lafayette Consolidated Govt. (Amended  
6/4/09)**

*Only complete blue sections.*

Housing and Community Development Activities				Needs	Current	Gap	5-Year Quantities												% of Goal	Priority Need: <a href="#">H</a> <a href="#">M</a> , <a href="#">L</a>	Dollars to Address	<a href="#">Plan to Fund?</a> Y/N	<a href="#">Fund Source</a>
							Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		Cumulative						
							Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual					
01 Acquisition of Real Property 570.201(a)				0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
02 Disposition 570.201(b)				0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
Public Facilities and Improvements	03 Public Facilities and Improvements (General) 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03A Senior Centers 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03B Handicapped Centers 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03C Homeless Facilities (not operating costs) 570.201(c)			30	0	30									0	0	###	H		Y	C, H, O		
	03D Youth Centers 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03E Neighborhood Facilities 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03F Parks, Recreational Facilities 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03G Parking Facilities 570.201©			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03H Solid Waste Disposal Improvements 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03I Flood Drain Improvements 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03J Water/Sewer Improvements 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03K Street Improvements 570.201(c)			10000'	0	10000'	8000'								8000	0	0%	H		Y			
	03L Sidewalks 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03M Child Care Centers 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03N Tree Planting 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03O Fire Stations/Equipment 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03P Health Facilities 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03Q Abused and Neglected Children Facilities 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03R Asbestos Removal 570.201(c)			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
	03S Facilities for AIDS Patients (not operating costs) 570.201(c)			25	0	25			8						8	0	0%	H		Y	C, H, O		
03T Operating Costs of Homeless/AIDS Patients Programs			0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N				
04 Clearance and Demolition 570.201(d)				60	0	60	12		20						32	0	0%	H		Y	C		
04A Clean-up of Contaminated Sites 570.201(d)				0	0	0									0	0	###	L		N			
C Ser	05 Public Services (General) 570.201(e)			7000	0	7000	1400		2562						3962	0	0%	H		Y	C		

05A Senior Services 570.201(e)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05B Handicapped Services 570.201(e)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05C Legal Services 570.201(E)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05D Youth Services 570.201(e)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05E Transportation Services 570.201(e)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05F Substance Abuse Services 570.201(e)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05G Battered and Abused Spouses 570.201(e)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05H Employment Training 570.201(e)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05I Crime Awareness 570.201(e)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05J Fair Housing Activities (if CDBG, then subject to 570.201(e))	0	0	0											0	0	###	H		Y	C, O
05K Tenant/Landlord Counseling 570.201(e)	0	0	0											0	0	###	H		Y	C
05L Child Care Services 570.201(e)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05M Health Services 570.201(e)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05N Abused and Neglected Children 570.201(e)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05O Mental Health Services 570.201(e)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05P Screening for Lead-Based Paint/Lead Hazards Poison 570.201(e)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05Q Subsistence Payments 570.204	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05R Homeownership Assistance (not direct) 570.204	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05S Rental Housing Subsidies (if HOME, not part of 5% 570.204	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
05T Security Deposits (if HOME, not part of 5% Admin c	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
06 Interim Assistance 570.201(f)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
07 Urban Renewal Completion 570.201(h)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
08 Relocation 570.201(i)	150	0	150	25										25	0	0%	H		Y	C
09 Loss of Rental Income 570.201(j)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
10 Removal of Architectural Barriers 570.201(k)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
11 Privately Owned Utilities 570.201(l)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
12 Construction of Housing 570.201(m)	465	0	465	4	42									46	0	0%				
13 Direct Homeownership Assistance 570.201(n)	125	0	125	25	58									83	0	0%	L		N	
14A Rehab; Single-Unit Residential 570.202	150	0	150	30	68									98	0	0%	H		Y	C, H
14B Rehab; Multi-Unit Residential 570.202	0	0	0											0	0	###				
14C Public Housing Modernization 570.202	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
14D Rehab; Other Publicly-Owned Residential Buildings 570.202	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
14E Rehab; Publicly or Privately-Owned Commercial/Indu 570.202	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
14F Energy Efficiency Improvements 570.202	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
14G Acquisition - for Rehabilitation 570.202	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
14H Rehabilitation Administration 570.202	0	0	0											0	0	###				

14I Lead-Based/Lead Hazard Test/Abate 570.202	0	0	0											0	0	###	H		Y	C
15 Code Enforcement 570.202(c)	0	0	0											0	0	###	H		Y	C, O
16A Residential Historic Preservation 570.202(d)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
16B Non-Residential Historic Preservation 570.202(d)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
17A CI Land Acquisition/Disposition 570.203(a)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
17B CI Infrastructure Development 570.203(a)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
17C CI Building Acquisition, Construction, Rehabilitat 570.203(a)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
17D Other Commercial/Industrial Improvements 570.203(a)	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
18A ED Direct Financial Assistance to For-Profits 570.203(b)	35	0	35	7		20								27	0	0%	H		Y	C
18B ED Technical Assistance 570.203(b)	0	0	0											0	0	###	H		Y	C
18C Micro-Enterprise Assistance	0	0	0											0	0	###				
19A HOME Admin/Planning Costs of PJ (not part of 5% Ad	0	0	0											0	0	###				
19B HOME CHDO Operating Costs (not part of 5% Admin ca	0	0	0											0	0	###				
19C CDBG Non-profit Organization Capacity Building	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
19D CDBG Assistance to Institutes of Higher Education	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
19E CDBG Operation and Repair of Foreclosed Property	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
19F Planned Repayment of Section 108 Loan Principal	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
19G Unplanned Repayment of Section 108 Loan Principal	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
19H State CDBG Technical Assistance to Grantees	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
20 Planning 570.205	0	0	0											0	0	###	H		Y	C
21A General Program Administration 570.206	0	0	0											0	0	###	H		Y	C, H
21B Indirect Costs 570.206	0	0	0											0	0	###				
21D Fair Housing Activities (subject to 20% Admin cap) 570.206	0	0	0											0	0	###	H		Y	C, O
21E Submissions or Applications for Federal Programs 570.206	0	0	0											0	0	###	H		Y	C
21F HOME Rental Subsidy Payments (subject to 5% cap)	0	0	0											0	0	###				
21G HOME Security Deposits (subject to 5% cap)	0	0	0											0	0	###				
21H HOME Admin/Planning Costs of PJ (subject to 5% cap	0	0	0											0	0	###				
21I HOME CHDO Operating Expenses (subject to 5% cap)	0	0	0											0	0	###				
22 Unprogrammed Funds	0	0	0											0	0	###	H		Y	C, H

HOPWA	31J Facility based housing – development	0	0	0											0	0	###				
	31K Facility based housing - operations	0	0	0											0	0	###				
	31G Short term rent mortgage utility payments	0	0	0											0	0	###				
	31F Tenant based rental assistance	0	0	0											0	0	###				
	31E Supportive service	0	0	0											0	0	###				
	31I Housing information services	0	0	0											0	0	###				
	31H Resource identification	0	0	0											0	0	###				
	31B Administration - grantee	0	0	0											0	0	###				
	31D Administration - project sponsor	0	0	0											0	0	###				
CDBG	Acquisition of existing rental units	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
	Production of new rental units	0	0	0											0	0	###				
	Rehabilitation of existing rental units	0	0	0											0	0	###				
	Rental assistance	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
	Acquisition of existing owner units	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
	Production of new owner units	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
	Rehabilitation of existing owner units	0	0	0											0	0	###	H		Y	C, H
	Homeownership assistance	0	0	0											0	0	###				
HOME	Acquisition of existing rental units	0	0	0											0	0	###				
	Production of new rental units	0	0	0											0	0	###	H		N	
	Rehabilitation of existing rental units	0	0	0											0	0	###				
	Rental assistance	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
	Acquisition of existing owner units	0	0	0											0	0	###				
	Production of new owner units	0	0	0											0	0	###	H		Y	H
	Rehabilitation of existing owner units	0	0	0											0	0	###	H		Y	H, C
	Homeownership assistance	0	0	0											0	0	###	L		N	
Totals		###	0	###	9503	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	###	0	###				

## **Appendix D: Summary of Specific Annual Objectives**


 New Specific Objective

## Summary of Specific Annual Objectives

Specific Obj. #	Outcome/Objective  Specific Annual Objectives	Sources of Funds	Performance Indicators	Year	Expected Number	Actual Number	Percent Completed	
SL-1	Availability/Accessibility of Suitable Living Environment							
SL-1 (1)	Specific Objective: To address the availability /accessibility of suitable living environment for low/moderate-income households through infrastructure improvements (streets). This activity will only be funded through CDBG-R. Once this funding program ends, this activity will be dropped to low priority barring substantial increases to LCG's federal entitlement funding.	Source of Funds #1: CDBG-R	Performance Indicator #1: Linear feet of street reconstruction	2008	8,785'		#VALUE!	
		Source of Funds #2		2009			#DIV/0!	
				2010			#DIV/0!	
				2011			#DIV/0!	
				2012			#DIV/0!	
		Source of Funds #3	MULTI-YEAR GOAL				0	#DIV/0!
		Specific Annual Objective: To address availability/accessibility of suitable living environment of low/moderate-income residential areas through the reconstruction of 8,785 linear feet of streets. In compliance with CDBG-R regulations, this activity will preserve and/or create 15 jobs.	Source of Funds #1	Performance Indicator #2: The number of jobs preserved and/or created.	2008	15		0%
			Source of Funds #2		2009			#DIV/0!
					2010			#DIV/0!
					2011			#DIV/0!
	2012						#DIV/0!	
	Source of Funds #3		MULTI-YEAR GOAL				0	#DIV/0!
	Source of Funds #1		Performance Indicator #3	2008			#DIV/0!	
				2009			#DIV/0!	
		2010				#DIV/0!		
		2011				#DIV/0!		
		2012				#DIV/0!		
	Source of Funds #3	MULTI-YEAR GOAL				0	#DIV/0!	